

Soccer Scribbles

Fall 2014 Season
www.columbusparksandrec.com

Dates to Remember

June 20	\$10 discount ENDS (Fee changes to \$60)
June 27	Registration ENDS at 5:00 pm (Refund deadline)
July 29	Coaches Meeting/NYSCA
Aug 2	Referee Orientation
Aug 8	You should hear from your coach.
Aug 16	Games Begin/Team Pictures
Sept 20	Games End

What division will my child be in?

The aging date that we will use is 7/31/2014. Your child's age on that day will determine his/her division.

Example: If your child's birthday is 8/15/2004, he/she will play in the U10 (under 10) age group. Although they are 10 when the league begins, they were not yet 10 on the cut-off date.

All children must be 4 by 7/31/2014!

If there are not enough children registered in both the U12 and U14 divisions to support a league, the two will be combined.

Challenger British Soccer Camp

This camp program will be held this year from June 16-20 and July 14-18. It is available for ages 3-18. For more information or to register call 1-800-878-2167 or visit their website at www.challengersports.com.

Columbus Parks and Recreation
Columbus Youth Soccer Assoc.
Donner Center—(812)376-2680
Activity Line—(812)376-2682



Fee Change

New this year - The fee for soccer is now \$60 BUT if you register by June 20 you will receive a \$10 discount!

Referee Orientation

If you are 14 years of age or older and would like to referee Parks and Rec soccer you must attend an orientation. The orientation session is on Aug 2 from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm at Donner Center (739 22nd St, 47201). This orientation is **MANDATORY**. Call Rob Heathcote at (812)376-9399 for more information.

Volunteer Coaching

Each soccer season over 1,000 Columbus youth participate in the Parks and Recreation soccer program. That is over 100 individual teams that need coaches. Although our program has grown, the number of volunteers has not always kept up, so we ask you to **please consider coaching a team!!!**

If you express interest in coaching when registering your child, a division manager may contact you through the email or phone number you have on file with the Parks

Background Checks & Code of Conduct

In a continuing effort to provide a pleasant environment for youth to learn as well as reduce the potential for abuse of children in its programs, the Parks and Rec Dept. will continue to enforce the Code of Conduct adopted in 2004 and require background checks for all department employees and volunteer coaches. Both the Background Check Policy and the Code of Conduct are available on our website—www.columbusparksandrec.com.

All parents should read the Code of Conduct!!

Please feel free to call Mark Jones or Patrick Senn at (812)376-2680 with any questions.

Cancellations

Practice Cancellations

All decisions on whether or not a practice is cancelled are determined by each individual coach. He/she will determine whether the weather will affect practice. If you have questions regarding the status of your child's practice, please call your coach. The Parks and Rec staff will **NOT** have this information.

Game Cancellations

If the weather is questionable, call the Parks and Recreation Activity Line (812)376-2682, listen to local radio stations, check the soccer webpage or check out the Parks and Rec Facebook page.

Game Make-up Times

Make up games will be played the next day (Sunday) starting at 1p. Make sure to call the Activity Line at (812)376-2682 or visit the youth soccer page at our website—
www.columbusparksandrec.com.

Columbus Youth Soccer Association

Don't hesitate to call your division manager if a problem arises or if you have any soccer or program related questions.

P&R Director of Sports Programs, Mark Jones (812)376-2680

P&R Sports Coordinator, Patrick Senn (812)376-2680

Referee Director, Rob Heathcote (812)376-9399

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>DIVISION MANAGER</u>	<u>PHONE #</u>
U5 Co-Ed	Bill Storkman	(812)343-9619
U6 Co-Ed	Dave VanValkenburg	(812)343-2642
U8 Boys	Kari Nusterer	(812)342-0113
U8 Girls	Tim Larken	(812)342-9880
U10 Boys	Evan Adams	(812)378-3967
U10 Girls	Steve Krebs	(812)372-2518
U12/U14 Boys	Todd Dickerson	(812)371-7897
U12/U14 Girls	Tami Iorio	(812)372-9688
U18 (HS) Co-Ed	Sal Mendez	(812)342-2107

Frequently Asked ?'s

When are the games?

Games are played on Saturday mornings at 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 am at Blackwell Park behind Parkside School.

When will I hear from my child's coach?

The coaches will receive their rosters on July 29. You should receive a call/email from your child's coach by Aug 8. If you do not hear from them by this time, call Donner Center at (812)376-2680.

How long is the season?

There are six games beginning on August 16 and ending on September 20.

What about practices?

Teams will be scheduled for 1-2 practices a week. The coach will determine the day/time and contact you with the information.

Can my child change teams if he/she has a schedule conflict?

Unfortunately, no. Due to the size of our soccer program we cannot accommodate everyone. We instead require coaches not to cut a child's playing time simply because they are unable to attend practice.

Does Parks provide uniforms?

Parks and Rec will give each player a uniform t-shirt. All players must provide their own shin guards and long socks (**required**). Cleats are optional and are the player's responsibility.

Is there anything my child cannot wear?

Yes!! Players cannot have any beads or hard objects in their hair as well as no jewelry (earrings included). New piercings **cannot** be covered with tape.

Are there awards?

Yes, all participants will receive an award at the last game of the season.

What if I have a problem?

Go to your coach first. If that does not help, please contact the division manager for your child's age group.